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It is reported that the British government in contemplation to dissolve the old government of India and the Canadian government that "the Earl of Dufferin is a highly honourable and important member in Chief in India; and that Francis Burton, now Lieutenant Governor of Canada, is to be placed at the head of the government of that part of the Empire."

**Resemblance.**—An instance has been given of two persons resembling each other so as to produce very unpleasant consequences. A man was lately tried for theft at the Assizes, indicted by the name of Henry Chase Butler, against whom the evidence was that first no doubt was entertained of the fact. It turned out, however, in the cross-examination, that the prisoner, who bore any other name than John Butler, was mistaken for a person named Henry Chase Butler, whose resemblance to the prisoner was so great that it was difficult to tell them apart.—They had both a son of the same age and on the same part of the face, and other respects were like each other. The character of the prisoner was proved to be bad, while that of Chase was shown to be good. The jury without leaving the case delivered a verdict of *not guilty*.

INDIANS IN MINNESOTA

It appears by recent accounts from the Colombian Governor of South America, that the Colombian Governor of South America, General Bolivar, has applied to the United States Agent, asking for the removal of the hostilities of the Park and other Upper Missouri. The result has been that at the Council Bluffs in June, at which Major O'Fallon is the mediator in the negotiations between the United States and the Commissioners from Santa Fe.

Letters have just been received by the Immigration Society from Cape Mennema, Alaska, which sailed from Petersburg, Alaska, of a hundred settlers, had arrived in Alaska, though some of the emigrants who said they had suffered from sickness, only two died and one woman had died. All the others were considered out of danger. It may be recalled that the death of the woman alluded to was occasioned not by fever but by mortification, produced by the extraction of a tooth. The Cape appears to be in a prosperous condition, and a word is said of any apprehension from hostile tribes.

The Chancellor of New-York has refused motion for an injunction to restrain the

Oliver Branch from navigating the Hudson river; a privilege which, said the decision in the Supreme Court of the United States, has been exclusively enjoyed by that company. The Chancellor's opinion is 100 pages in length in the papers, and has put the main controversy finally at rest.

**An Impostor.**—A poor old man appeared about 60 years of age, lately made his appearance at Lockport, N. Y., without a hat, and completely very much agitated. He made such bitter imprecations that he had just been robbed of his hat, and after having put the civil authority to considerable trouble and expense, this poor old fellow turned out to be an impostor, who was discharged from the Vermont state prison, while he was receiving the assistance and allowance of the good people of Lockport, and was arrested for passing counterfeit bills. He confessed that he had been guilty of passing counterfeit bills, but his object was to obtain money. He was in jail.

On the 17th ult. John A. Wells, of Newford, Connecticut, aged about 21 years, had been insane for some time, these hours on the river, with a grindstone tied to his waist, drowned. Among his papers was the following epitaph, to be inscribed upon his monument, which is much superior to inscriptions common in our burial grounds:

"19 miles to Hartford.  
Passing strangers do not here;  
John Allen Wells lies buried here."

*Daring Attempt at Murder.—*The Cambridge Chronicle informs us, that a man, strongly suspected of being a murderer, had attempted to murder Col. Henry G. Magoon, at the place was made on the night of the 1st inst. The man was roused from sleep, by a rap at his window, and allured from his room by a voice of command, rather than alarm, repeating "a house on fire." The manner of the wretch excited his suspicion, and when he left the room, he took with him a

sword. No sooner had he than he heard a pistol snap; he instantly turned and saw the assassin crouched upon the villain, when the pistol was discharged at him, the ball passing through the left breast of the coat, and under the arm—the villain from the pistol was so near as to fire his knife, which were nearly consumed.—The villain then ran, and Col. Nixon pursued him until he reached a retired part of the town where the assassin turned upon him. A desperate man ensued, but in consequence of some shots, the villain fled.

A thunder storm occurred at Quebec, on the 10th inst. accompanied by sharp hail and lightning, which struck the Jesuit Church, and killed and wounded many of its inmates. A sergeant of the 66th Light Infantry, named Nixon, who was standing near one of the windows of the upper story of the west front, was with his gun, when a bolt of lightning struck the roof of the building about two years old, in his arms, struck down a beggar in the room beneath who was sitting on a bench.

A convict. In the north side of the building







